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NEVADA– State Specific Signs

[Nevada ADA Parking Signs](#)

Overview:

All states must comply with The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. It is a federal wide-ranging civil rights law that prohibits, under certain circumstances, discrimination based on disability. The 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design (ADAAG) stipulates design standards for accessible parking spaces. Section 502.6 of ADAAG and The Department of Transportation Standard for Highway Signs (MUTCD) both address design standards for the required signs.

Resources:

2010 ADAAG Standards: (Free)

http://www.ada.gov/2010ADASTandards_index.htm

MUTCD Standard for Highway Signs: (Free)

https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/SHSe/shs_2004_2012_sup.pdf

Nevada ADA Parking Regulations: (Free)

[NRS 484B.467 - Parking space designated for persons who are handicapped: Signs; required plates, stickers or placards for parking; prohibited acts; penalty.](#)

Design of Parking Signs:

- Accessible parking spaces must have a sign that includes the international symbol of accessibility and state “RESERVED PARKING.” Spaces designed for van parking must also have a sign stating “VAN ACCESSIBLE.” (ADAAG 502.6), (MUTCD R7-8)
- The sign should be 12”W x 18”H with green lettering and border on a white background. The symbol of accessibility should be 4”H and be white on a blue background. The symbol is a depiction of a person in a wheel chair. (MUTCD R7-8), (ADAAG 703.7.2.1)
- If required, the van accessible sign should be 12”W x 6”H and have green lettering and border on a white background or white lettering and border on a blue background. (MUTCD R7-8a, R&-8b)
- Signs should be mounted at least 60 inches above the parking surface so as to not be obstructed by any parked vehicles.
- Signs should be constructed to withstand the elements. An aluminum substrate with a reflective surface using UV stable ink is recommended. An anti-graffiti laminate surface might also be considered.
- Of note: Federal accessibility signs avoid the use of the text “handicapped” or “disabled” as a result of the Department of Justice’s efforts to make use of up-to-date accepted terminology and avoid stereotyping of individuals. (28CFR35.104)
- Nevada also requires that the reserved parking sign state “Minimum Fine of \$250 For Use by Others.” (NV Rev Stat § 484B.467)

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No Smoking Signs

Overview:

The State of Nevada prohibits smoking in all workplaces, including restaurants. Exemptions to the statewide ban are granted to tobacco stores, taverns and casinos not allowing entry to minors, trade shows, and strip clubs. The Nevada Clean Air Act became law on 11/7/2006 and is administered by the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services. (NRS 202.2483.1-3)

Resources:

Nevada Clean Indoor Air Act: (Free) <http://law.justia.com/codes/nevada/2011/chapter-202/statute-202.2483/>

Nevada Department of Health: (Free) <http://dpbh.nv.gov/>

Design of No Smoking Signs:

- The owner or other person in control of a workplace where smoking is prohibited must post a sign at each entrance stating “No Smoking” or the international no smoking symbol, consisting of a pictorial representation of a burning cigarette enclosed in a red circle with a red bar across it. (NRS 202.2483.9)
- Owners of businesses exempt from the law may voluntarily declare a portion of or the entire facility a smoke free area by posting the specified “No Smoking” signage. (NRS 202.2483.7)

Swimming Pool Signs

Overview:

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services stipulates the rules governing the use of public swimming pools and spas. The code requires the posting of signs at public swimming pools and spas.

Resources:

Nevada Regulation: (Free) <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NAC/NAC-444.html>

NSP Foundation: (Free) http://nspf.org/en/Resources/News_StateCodes.aspx

Design of Swimming Pool Signs:

Below are the required Nevada swimming pool and spa signs. See the Nevada regulation for more specific posting and design information.

- A sign at water slides stating various rules. (NAC 444.1974)
- A sign stating various pool rules. (NAC 444.280)
- A sign stating various spa rules. (NAC 444.526,530,532)
- A sign on the door of the chlorinator room stating “CAUTION – Chlorine Gas.” (NAC 444.506 {!})
- A sign at therapy pools stating the dangers of exposure to hot water. (NAC 444.524.2)

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- A sign stating “No Diving” at pools not designed for diving. (NAC 444.116)
- A sign at pools stating maximum bathing capacity. (NAC 444.278)
- A diagrammatic illustration of artificial respiration procedures. (NAC 444.268)
- A sign stating “Warning-No Lifeguard On Duty” and “Children Under 14 Years Old Should Not Use Facility Without An Adult In Attendance” and “Solo Bathing is Prohibited” where lifeguards are not provided. (NAC 444.276)
- A sign stating “No Swimming, Bathing, or Other Use of Facility Allowed After Dark.” (NAC 444.142{b})

Concealed Weapon Signs

Overview:

Nevada allows residents of the state to carry a concealed firearm (CCW) provided they have been issued a permit granted by the local city or county in which they reside. Among the requirements for issuing a permit are; the applicant must be 21 years of age, has not been convicted of a felony, does not have a serious mental illness, does not have an addiction to alcohol or a controlled substance, and has completed an approved firearm training program. There are certain places such as, schools, government buildings, courthouses, airports, etc. where CCW is forbidden even with a permit. Nevada honors the CCW of various other states. (NRS 202.3657) (NRS 202.3673)

Resources:

Nevada Regulation: (Free) <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-202.html#NRS202Sec3657>

Handgunlaw.com/Nevada: (Free) <http://www.handgunlaw.us/states/nevada.pdf>

Design of Concealed Weapons Signs:

- Some states that allow CCW, with or without a required permit, have “opt out” laws that empower a private business to voluntarily create a “weapons free” zone by posting a “no concealed weapons allowed” sign on their premises. Nevada law does not empower a business to create a “weapons free” zone by posting a sign, nor does it explicitly forbid the posting of such signs at businesses or facilities where CCW is forbidden.

Cell Phone Signs

Overview:

The State of Nevada bans the use of hand-held cell phones for texting and voice communications by all drivers of motorized vehicles. The use of hands free communication devices is permitted. The law, SB140, became effective on 1/1/2012.

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Resources:

- Nevada Regulation** (Free) http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/76th2011/Bills/SB/SB140_EN.pdf
- Handsfreeinfo.com:** (Free) <http://handsfreeinfo.com/nevada-cell-phone-laws-legislation>

Design of Cell Phone Signs:

- As of 9/1/2019 we are unaware of any mandatory “no cell phone” sign postings required in Nevada.
- An efficient way to remind both commercial and private drivers of cell phone bans is to apply a “No Cell Phone Use While Driving” safety label or window decal to cars, taxi cabs, trucks, and buses.
- Of note: Because cell phones can be distractive by nature, it is common to see signs regulating cell phone use in public buildings such as theaters, airports, courtrooms, hospitals, buses, schools and school traffic zones.

Baby Surrender Signs

Overview:

Since the first baby surrender (safe-haven) law was enacted in Texas in 1999, all U.S. states, as well as the District of Columbia, have passed safe-haven legislation. The laws allow an unharmed infant to be relinquished to the proper authorities.

Resources:

- Nevada Regulation:** (Free) http://www.nationalsafehavenalliance.org/maps/Nevada_Safe_Haven_Law.pdf
- NSH Alliance:** (Free) <https://www.nationalsafehavenalliance.org/>

Design of Baby Surrender Signs:

- Nevada allows for the relinquishing of a new born infant (30 days old or less) by a parent who no longer wishes to have custody of the child. Nevada law states an infant may be relinquished at any hospital, fire station, law enforcement agency, or EMS provider as defined by the statute. As of 9/1/2019 we are unaware of any requirement in the law for the posting of signs. (NRS 432B.630)

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